Recruitment of surrendered militants in Para-Military Forces

1729. DR. K. MALAISAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is true that the surrendered militants of the erstwhile Bodo Liberation Tigers (BLT) have been recruited by the CRPF and Assam Rifles as a step in conformity with the peace accord;

(b) if so, how far such personnel would be suitable for maintenance of law and order, protection of country's sovereignty and particularly how far their instinct could permit for counter insurgency operations;

(c) what is the experience with them on these aspects; and

(d) will it not be better and desirable, (without taking a risk) to rehabilitate them in different fields instead of recruiting them in our armed forces?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) As provided in para 12.3 of the Memorandum of Settlement (MoS), it was decided to recruit a maximum of 1000 surrendered militants (Bodo) in Central Para-Military Forces (CPMFs). Only such surrendered militants shall be recruited, who fulfil the eligibility condition for recruitment of to the post of constable/follower and who qualify through the prescribed normal selection procedure. Also only such surrendered militants are to be considered for recruitment whose verification has been arranged through a Screening Committee.

(b) and (c) No major act of indiscipline by Bodo recruits has been reported.

(d) The recruitment of Bodo youth in the CPMFs is to give them a sense of participation in the security of the country.

Enquiry into Delhi bomb blasts

†1730. SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the enquiry into Delhi bomb blasts case has been completed;

(b) if so, the outfit, found guilty for this incident; and

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) the action taken so far against the culprits?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFARS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) to (c) Five major incidents of bomb blasts had taken place in Delhi during the year 2005. The first two explosions occurred on 22nd May, 2005 in Liberty Cinema and Satyam Cinema. Investigation into these two cases has been completed and chargesheet has been filed in the court against eight accused persons. The cases are pending trial. Interrogation of accused persons has revealed that they are members of the banned terrorist organisation Babbar Khalsa International.

There were three bomb explosions on 29th October, 2005-one each at Paharganj, Sarojini Nagar Market and Kalkaji. Investigation into the cases registered in connection with explosions at Paharganj and Kalkaji is still continuing. The investigation into the case relating to Sarojini Nagar Market has been completed and chargesheet has been filed against three accused persons in the court and the case is pending trial. The fourth accused, wanted in connection with the serial blasts, was killed in an encounter on 16.1.2006 in Jammu and Kashmir. It has been revealed during investigation that the blasts were the handiwork of militant organisation Lashkar-e-Tayyeba (LeT).

Phone tapping of MPs/CMs

1731. SHRI AMAR SINGH:
SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that telephone of several political leaders including Members of Parliament, Chief Ministers of States are being tapped for the past more than a year;

(b) if so, the names of such leaders and on what grounds their telephones are tapped; and

(c) whether Government have formulated any guidelines for tapping of telephones as per direction given by the Supreme Court its judgement and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) Only one instance of